

Devotions 2026: July 27 to August 2

For daily devotions I am going to start using 60 days of prayer published by Guideposts.

Monday: Choose Diligence

Proverbs 6:6 – Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise!

Hard work can be energizing, especially when you remember you are partnering with God. Small, consistent efforts can create momentum that lifts your spirit. Like the ant working on grain at a time, your steps add up to something meaningful and strong.

Prayer: Dear Lord, fill my heart with renewed energy. Help me approach what You have placed before me with joy and purpose.

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Tuesday: The Joy of Obedience

John 14:15 – “If you love me, keep my commands.”

Following God’s Word aligns your life with His goodness. Each choice of obedience becomes a seed of blessing planted in trust. As Elisabeth Elliot wrote, “Faith does not eliminate questions, But faith knows where to take them.” Over time, those small choices grow into true joy anchored in His love.

Prayer: Lord teach me to obey with a willing heart. Let my love be shown through faithfulness.

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Wednesday: Focus on the Present

Psalm 118:24 – The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

Today holds opportunities to love, serve, notice beauty, and choose gratitude. When you focus on what you can do right now, even something small, you honor God with a faith that is lived moment by moment. The present becomes holy when you give it to Him.

Prayer: Lord, draw my attention back to this day. Show me one small, good thing I can do right now that honors You.

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Thursday: Practicing Faith in Small Ways

Psalm 100:2 – Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

A Whispered prayer, a moment of gratitude, a pause before reacting; these habits shape the atmosphere of your heart. God does not wait for grand gestures; He meets you in everyday practices.

Prayer: Lord, draw my heart close to Yours today. Let the rhythm of my life be one of noticing and trusting You.

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Friday: All Things Made New

2 Corinthians 5:17 – Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

God never stops creating, and in Christ, you are continually being remade, taught to release the past and step into grace that grows fresh each day. What began in prayer and perseverance now blooms in trust. His work in you is always unfolding.

Prayer: Dear Lord, thank You for the ways You make me new. Let my life reflect the beauty of Your ongoing creation.

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Saturday:**Before Your Feet Touch the Floor**

Deuteronomy 31:8 - "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

The start of every month offers a chance to begin again, but the real gift is remembering that you never enter any day alone. Before you check your phone, before the coffee brews, before you remember what worry may have carried into sleep, God is already there.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for going before me and holding me close today.

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Sunday:**Strength When You Need It Most**

Isaiah 40:31 - Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint .Amen.

Some days require more strength than you feel you have. That is exactly when God steps in. He does not expect you to power through on your own. When you place your hope in Him, renewal comes. His strength does not just sustain you. Even when progress feels slow, you are being carried forward.

Prayer: Almighty God, fill me with energy and confidence to face anything that comes my way.

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